

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Pomaria/Garmany Elementary

Newberry

Grades: PK-5 **Enrollment: 405**

Principal: Beth Brooks

Superintendent: Mr. Bennie Bennett

Board Chair: Mr. Don Saylor

PERFORMANCE

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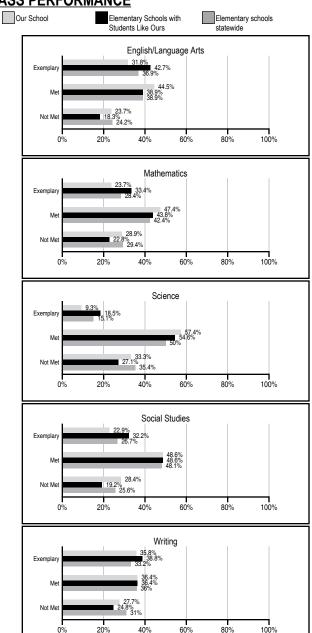
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2009	Average	Average	TBD	TBD	Met	N/A
2008	Average	Good	Silver	Silver	Not Met	N/A
2007	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
13	30	47	0	0

^{*} Ratings are calculated with data available by 06/01/2010. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

PASS PERFORMANCE



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Vision:

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

Pomaria/Garmany Elementary [Newberry] SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=405)				
Retention rate	3.6%	Up from 2.1%	2.0%	1.9%
Attendance rate	96.2%	Down from 96.4%	96.3%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	16.0%	Down from 18.2%	14.0%	10.0%
With disabilities other than speech	6.6%	Up from 6.1%	7.5%	7.7%
Older than usual for grade	0.0%	Down from 0.3%	0.4%	0.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	Down from 0.5%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=30)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	63.3%	Down from 70.0%	60.0%	59.4%
Continuing contract teachers	93.3%	Up from 80.0%	81.8%	80.0%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	90.1%	Up from 89.7%	87.7%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	92.6%	Down from 94.4%	95.3%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$46,204	Up 3.3%	\$47,232	\$47,149
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	5.5 days	Down from 8.6 days	10.9 days	11.1 days
School				
Principal's years at school	3.0	Up from 2.0	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	19.8 to 1	Up from 19.3 to 1	19.1 to 1	18.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	87.2%	Down from 90.5%	90.6%	90.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	Up from Fair	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	91.5%	Up from 65.5%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Good	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,342	Up 7.5%	\$6,860	\$7,458
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	73.1%	Down from 74.6%	69.2%	68.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	69.5%	Down from 70.0%	63.3%	63.2%
% of AYP objectives met * Length of contract = 185+ days	100.0%	Up from 93.3%	100.0%	100.0%

^{*} Length of contract = 185+ days.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	30	62	39
Percent satisfied with learning environment	83.3%	85.5%	73.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	86.7%	81.7%	78.9%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	96.7%	88.5%	81.1%

^{*}Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Pomaria-Garmany Elementary School is located in the rural community of Pomaria in Newberry County. Our school serves a diverse population of 416 students, which includes pre-kindergarten through fifth grade. Sixty percent are Caucasian, twenty-one percent are African American, and nineteen percent are Hispanic. Pomaria-Garmany is an Advanced ED accredited institution, School of Promise and a Palmetto Silver Award winner in the area of academics and achievement. Nine of our faculty members are National Board Certified teachers. and three others began the application process during the 2008-2009 school year and four are continuing the process. The school counselor also received the SC Heart Award. The faculty participated in many professional development activities this year including Working on the Work trainings. First Steps continued to fund a summer program for ten kindergarten students to increase their readiness level for kindergarten. These awards and other activities demonstrate a hardworking and dedicated faculty and staff.

Students at Pomaria-Garmany Elementary made many accomplishments this year. On a school level, students were recognized at the end of year awards ceremony. Students were rewarded with trophies, pendants, and certificates. Parents and members of the community were invited to come out and support student achievement. There was also a school wide winner of the State Superintendent of Education Essay Award. One student was a Regional Winner in the MESAS contest. Another student was also recognized for his achievement in art at the SC Economic Education luncheon. Four students were recipients of the Duke TIP Talent Search Award. Students, under the guidance of our school media specialist, produced the daily morning news show. Third grade students also served as library helpers. They assisted the media specialist in shelving books after school. The fourth grade students maintained the PGE postal system and delivered mail to students, faculty, and staff. Fifth grade students also are selected to serve as our morning STAR Patrol. STAR Patrol assisted in school morning duties and modeled character skills for younger students. Students at Pomaria-Garmany experienced learning outside the classroom through guest speakers and field trips.

Parents and community members actively supported our school. Our PTO and School Improvement council were very supportive in making school decisions. Parent volunteers, community members, churches, and civic organizations were also very supportive in providing for the needs of our students. Pomaria-Garmany Elementary School is a learning community where parents, teachers, and community members work together to ensure that students are successful.

Beth S. Brooks, Principal Brent Connelly, School Improvement Chairman

^{**} Prior year audited financial data available